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SUBJECT: SITREP 1100Z OCT OBER 9

SUMMARY: LOCAL SITUATION REMAINS CALM, BUT PRECAUTIONS
BEING TAKEN. GOK AND POPULACE FOLLOWING EVENTS CLOSELY AND
LOUDLY SUPPORTING ARAB CAUSE. GOK HAS INCREASED PRO-
TECTION OF EMBASSY. END SUMMARY

1. GOK POSITION: COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (CM) AND DEFENSE
COUNCIL MEETING ALMOST DAILY. KUWAITI AIR FORCES ON SEMI-
ALERT, I.E. PILOTS READY TO SCRAMBLE. ARMY ALSO ALERTED.
NO INDICATION THAT KUWAITI FORCES ARE MOVING TO BATTLE
AREA, ALTHOUGH MINDEF SHAID SAAD RECENTLY TOLD PRESS
(72-8TI ARMY, WHICH ALREADY HAS CONTINGENT ON SUEZ FRONT,
WILL NOT HESITATE TO DISPATCH MORE FORCES TO REINFORCE ARAB
FIGHTERS "IF NEED AROSE" AND THIS REITERATED AFTER
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CM MEETING TODAY. GOK ALSO CLEARLY CONCERNED WITH

ARAB OIL POLICY (SEE SEPTTEL).

2. ON LOCAL SCENE, SITUATION REMAINS ALMOST NORMAL, BUT POPULACE FOLLOWING EVENTS CLOSELY. ATTEMPTED STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS WERE DISMISSED BY POLICE AND GOK HAS REQUESTED POPULACE TO AVOID "EMOTIONALISM." KUWAIT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REMAINS OPEN. GOK PLANNING TO SEND MEDICAL TEAMS TO EGYPT AND SYRIA, KUWAITI HOSPITALS HAVE BEEN ALERTED FOR POSSIBLE TREATMENT OF WOUNDED FROM BATTLE AREA, AND APPEALS MADE FOR BLOOD DONORS. SCHOOLS REMAIN IN SESSION; AMERICAN PARENTS RIDING BUSES TO AND FROM AMERICAN SCHOOL AS EXTRA PRECAUTION.

3. GOK HAS DOUBLED PROTECTIVE GUARD AT EMBASSY (TOTAL ABOUT 40) AND IS PROVIDING AN OFFICER IN CHARGE AT ALL TIMES. EMBASSY CONTINUES PREPARATION FOR POSSIBLE IMPLEMENTATION E&E PLAN, BUT IS NOT REPORTING NOT ISSUING ANY WARNINGS TO LOCAL AMERICAN COMMUNITY. STOLTZFUS

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